WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A method for a computer system comprises
   receiving a first unsolicited commercial electronic mail message initiated
by an e-mail sender;
   sending a request not to receive any future unsolicited commercial
electronic mail messages initiated by the e-mail sender at an electronic mail address
where the unsolicited commercial electronic mail message was received;
   receiving a second unsolicited commercial electronic mail message;
   automatically determining whether the e-mail sender is in violation of the
request, in response to the second unsolicited commercial electronic mail message; and
   when the e-mail sender is in violation of the request, reporting the
violation of the request.

2. The method of claim 1 wherein requesting not to receive any future
unsolicited commercial electronic mail messages initiated by the e-mail sender comprises
sending to the e-mail sender a communication selected from the group: reply electronic
mail message, Internet-based communication.

3. The method of claim 1 further comprising:
   storing in a file an e-mail address of the e-mail sender; and
   wherein automatically determining whether the e-mail sender is in
violation of the request comprises comparing an e-mail address of a sender of the second
unsolicited commercial electronic mail message to the e-mail address of the e-mail sender
in the file.

4. The method of claim 1 wherein reporting the violation of the
request comprises reporting the violation of the request to one or more of the following: a
user associated with the electronic mail address, an internet service provider, a
governmental entity.

5. The method of claim 4 wherein the governmental entity is selected
from the group: law enforcement authorities, state authorities, federal authorities.

6. The method of claim 4 wherein the internet service provider is
selected from the group: internet service provider associated with the user, internet
service provider associated with the e-mail sender.

7.   The method of claim 16 wherein reporting the violation of the request comprises providing the first unsolicited commercial electronic mail message, the request, and the second unsolicited commercial electronic mail message to the internet service provider.

8.   The method of claim 1 wherein reporting the violation of the request comprises reporting the violation of the request to a third-party clearing house of request violations.

9.   The method of claim 1 further comprising:

determining an electronic mail rule in response to the first unsolicited commercial electronic mail message initiated by the e-mail sender,

wherein the electronic mail rule determines whether subsequent e-mail messages are initiated by the e-mail sender,

wherein when a subsequent e-mail was initiated by the e-mail sender, the electronic mail rule generates a violation report;

wherein when the subsequent e-mail was initiated by the e-mail sender, the electronic mail rule automatically deletes the subsequent e-mail;

wherein automatically determining whether the e-mail sender in violation of the request is performed by the electronic mail rule; and

wherein reporting the violation of the request comprises outputting the violation report.

10.   The method of claim 1 wherein receiving the first unsolicited commercial electronic mail message comprises receiving the first unsolicited commercial electronic mail message via an e-mail interface selected from the group: Outlook, GroupWise, HotMail, Yahoo!, Excite, Earthlink, GeoCities, AOL, Compuserve, Prodigy, MSN.

11.   The method of claim 7 wherein the internet service provider determines that the second unsolicited commercial electronic mail message includes header information that uses a domain name of the internet service provider without permission of the internet service provider, in response to the violation of the request.

12.   A method for a computer system comprises

2   receiving reports of unwanted e-mail request violations by e-mail senders

3   from users at user e-mail addresses, wherein each unwanted e-mail request violation

4   includes an indication of a first unsolicited commercial e-mail message initiated by an e-

5   mail sender, an indication of a request to the e-mail sender not to initiate any future

6   unsolicited commercial e-mail messages to a user e-mail address, and an indication of a

7   second unsolicited commercial e-mail message initiated by an e-mail sender in violation

8   of the request;

9   determining whether a number of reports of unwanted e-mail request

10   violations by a specific e-mail sender exceeds a threshold number; and

11   when the number of reports of unwanted e-mail request violations exceeds

12   the threshold number, reporting the unwanted e-mail request violations.

1   13.   The method of claim 12

2   wherein reporting the unwanted e-mail request violations comprises

3   providing the reports of unwanted e-mail request violations by the specific e-mail sender;

4   and

5   wherein the threshold number exceeds one.

1   14.   The method of claim 12 further comprising:

2   when the number of reports of unwanted e-mail request violations exceeds

3   the threshold number, determining updated filter-out lists to include the specific e-mail

4   sender; and

5   sending the updated filter-out lists e-mail service providers.

1   15.   The method of claim 14 wherein the e-mail service providers

2   comprise: internet service providers, HotMail, Yahoo!, Excite, Earthlink, GeoCities,

3   AOL, Compuserve, Prodigy, MSN.

1   16.   The method of claim 15 wherein the e-mail service providers

2   filter-out subsequent e-mail messages from the specific e-mail sender in response to the

3   updated filter-out lists.

1   17.   The method of claim 13 wherein reporting the unwanted e-mail

2   request violations comprises providing the reports of unwanted e-mail request violations

3   by the specific e-mail sender to a governmental entity selected from the group: law

4   enforcement authorities, state authorities, federal authorities.

1   18.   The method of claim 12 wherein the threshold number is selected
2   with respect to a number of reports of unwanted e-mail request violations by other e-mail
3   senders.

1   19.   The method of claim 18 wherein the threshold number is selected
2   in response to a number of reports of unwanted e-mail request violations for most
3   frequent e-mail senders;
4   wherein the most frequent e-mail senders are selected from the group
5   comprising: one hundredth, five hundredth, one thousandth.

1   20.   The method of claim 12 wherein determining whether a number of
2   reports of unwanted e-mail request violations by a specific e-mail sender exceeds a
3   threshold number further comprises determining whether a threshold number of reports of
4   unwanted e-mail request violations occur within a set time period.

1   21.   The method of claim 13 wherein reporting the unwanted e-mail
2   request violations comprises providing the reports of unwanted e-mail request violations
3   by the specific e-mail sender to service providers selected from the group: internet service
4   providers, Yahoo!, Earthlink, GeoCities, AOL, Compuserve, Prodigy, MSN.

1   22.   The method of claim 21 wherein the service providers determines
2   whether the specific e-mail sender includes header information that uses a domain name
3   of the service providers without permission of the internet service providers, in response
4   to the violation of the request.

1   23.   A computer system comprises:
2   a processor configured to execute code; and
3   a memory coupled to the processor, wherein the memory includes:
4   code that directs the processor to provide a first junk e-mail
5   message initiated by an e-mail sender to a user at a user e-mail address;
6   code that directs the processor to receive a remove request from the
7   user regarding the first junk e-mail message;
8   code that directs the processor to send a request to the e-mail
9   sender not to initiate any future junk e-mail messages to the user e-mail address,
10   code that directs the processor to store the request in the memory;

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11   code that directs the processor to determine receipt of a second

12   junk e-mail message initiated by the e-mail sender to the user e-mail address;

13   code that directs the processor to generate a report of a violation of

14   the request in response a determination of receipt of the second junk e-mail message.

1   24.   The computer system of claim 23 wherein the report of the

2   violation includes an indication of the first junk e-mail message, an indication of the

3   second junk e-mail message, an indication of the e-mail sender, and an indication of the

4   request.

1   25.   The computer system of claim 24 wherein the memory further

2   comprises:

3   code that directs the processor to identify the e-mail sender when a number

4   of reports of violations of requests including an indication of the e-mail sender exceeds a

5   threshold.

1   26.   The computer system of claim 23 wherein the memory further

2   comprises:

3   code that directs the processor to send the report of the violation to a third-

4   party server.

1   27.   The computer system 26

2   wherein the third party server provides e-mail filtering-out services, and

3   wherein the third party server returns updated e-mail filters in response to

4   the report of the violation.

1   28.   The computer system 27 wherein the memory further comprises

2   code that directs the processor to filter-out subsequent junk e-mail

3   messages from the e-mail sender, in response to the updated e-mail filters.

1   29.   The computer system of claim 26 wherein the third party server

2   comprises a governmental entity comprising: law enforcement authorities, state

3   authorities, federal authorities.

1   30.   The computer system of claim 26 wherein the third party server

2   comprises a service provider associated with the second junk e-mail message.

1   31.   The computer system of claim 30 wherein the service provider

2   associated with the second junk e-mail message determines that the second junk e-mail

3   message includes header information that uses a domain name of the service provider

4   without permission of the service provider, in response to the report of the violation.

1   32.   The computer system of claim 23 wherein the code that directs the

2   processor to send the request to the e-mail sender comprises code that directs the

3   processor to sending to the e-mail sender a communication selected from the group: reply

4   electronic mail message, Internet-based communication.

1   33.   The computer system of claim 32 wherein the memory also

2   includes:

3   code that directs the processor to provide the report of the violation of the

4   request to the user at the user e-mail address.

1   34.   A computer program product for a computer system including a

2   processor and a display comprises:

3   code that directs the processor to initiate sending a request to an e-mail

4   sender of a first unsolicited commercial e-mail message to not send any future unsolicited

5   commercial e-mail message to a user e-mail address where the first unsolicited

6   commercial e-mail message was addressed in response to a user input;

7   code that directs the processor to maintain a log of the first unsolicited

8   commercial e-mail message and the request;

9   code that directs the processor to generate a report when a second

10   unsolicited commercial e-mail message to the user e-mail address is from the e-mail

11   sender; and

12   code that directs the processor to output the report;

13   wherein the codes reside on a tangible media.

1   35.   The computer program product of claim 34 wherein the request

2   comprises a communication selected from the group: reply electronic mail message,

3   Internet-based communication.

1   36.   The computer program product of claim 35 further comprising:

2   code that directs the processor to initiate an e-mail rule configured to filter

3   out e-mail messages from the e-mail sender in response to the user input and the first

4   unsolicited commercial e-mail message.

1   37.   The computer program product of claim 36 wherein the e-mail rule
2   is configured to determine if a second unsolicited commercial e-mail message to the user
3   e-mail address is from the e-mail sender.

1   38.   The computer program product of claim 34 wherein the report
2   comprises an indication of the first unsolicited commercial e-mail message, the second
3   unsolicited commercial e-mail message, and the request.

1   39.   The computer program product of claim 38 wherein code that
2   directs the processor to output the report comprises code that directs the processor to
3   output the report to the user.

1   40.   The computer program product of claim 38 wherein code that
2   directs the processor to output the report comprises code that directs the processor to
3   output the report to a party selected from the group: internet service provider, e-mail
4   service provider, third-party server, governmental authority.

1   41.   The computer program product of claim 40
2   wherein the report is output to a third party server;
3   wherein the third party server updates a filter-out rule to include the e-mail
4   sender in response to the report; and
5   wherein the computer program product further comprises code that directs
6   the processor to receive and implement the filter-out rule from the third party server.

1   42.   The computer program product of claim 40 wherein the report is
2   output to a governmental authority selected from the group: law enforcement agency,
3   state agency, federal agency.

1   43.   The computer program product of claim 40 wherein the report is
2   output to a service provider associated with the user e-mail address.

1   44.   The computer program product of claim 34 wherein the codes are
2   compatible with e-mail services selected from the group: Outlook, GroupWise, HotMail,
3   Yahoo!, Excite, Earthlink, GeoCities, AOL, Compuserve, Prodigy, MSN.